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Re: Docket No. 99D2873

Dear Sir or Madam:

On behalf of the members, directors and officers of the Massachusetts Medical Device Industry Council (MassMEDIC), I wish to convey our strong support and endorsement of the comments submitted by the Health Industry Manufacturers Association (HIMA) on the Food and Drug Administration's "Draft Guidance on Evidence Models for the Least Burdensome Means to Market."

Several MassMEDIC members contributed to the development of these comments, which properly reflect the interests and concerns of the medical device manufacturing community in Massachusetts.

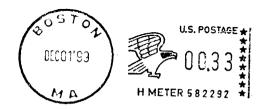
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